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United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois

Name of Assigned Judge or Magistrate Judge	Frederick J. Kapala	Sitting Judge if Other than Assigned Judge	
CASE NUMBER	08 C 50099 (Appeal No. 08-2747)	DATE	August 5, 2008
CASE TITLE	Jerry Lewis Gulley (#58630) v. Pocock		

DOCKET ENTRY TEXT:

Plaintiff's motion for leave to appeal in forma pauperis [11] is denied. The court certifies that the appeal is not taken in good faith and orders plaintiff to pay the appellate fees of \$455 within 14 days or the Court of Appeals may dismiss his appeal for want of prosecution. The clerk is directed to send a copy of this order to the trust fund officer at the Winnebago County Jail and the PLRA Attorney, U.S. Court of Appeals.

For further details see text below.

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Plaintiff, Jerry Lewis Gulley, has filed a notice of appeal from the judgment entered on July 1, 2008, and seeks leave to proceed in forma pauperis. For the reasons stated in the July 1, 2008 order, the court finds that this action does not raise a substantial issue meriting appellate review. Plaintiff having raised none in his motion to proceed in forma pauperis on appeal or in his recently submitted letter and inmate request form, the court certifies under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3), that the appeal is not in good faith and that no appeal should be taken.

The Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals has determined that if the district court certifies that an appeal is not taken in good faith, the appellant cannot prosecute the appeal in forma pauperis but rather must pay the appellate fees in full for the appeal to go forward. Consequently, plaintiff must pay the full \$455 within 14 days or the Court of Appeals may dismiss his appeal for want of prosecution. See Newlin v. Helman, 123 F.3d 429, 434 (7th Cir. 1997), overruled on other grounds by Lee v. Clinton, 209 F.3d 1025 (7th Cir. 2000), and Walker v. O'Brien, 216 F.3d 626 (7th Cir. 2000). If the plaintiff wishes to contest this court's finding that the appeal is not taken in good faith, he must file a motion with the Court of Appeals seeking review of this court's certification within 30 days after service of this order. See Fed. R. App. P. 24(a).

In sum, plaintiff's motion for leave to appeal in forma pauperis is denied. Plaintiff is ordered to remit to the Clerk of the Court the \$455 appellate fee within 14 days of the date of this order. If plaintiff fails to comply with this order, the Court of Appeals may dismiss his appeal for want of prosecution. Plaintiff is responsible for ensuring payment of the filing fees as directed by this order, and should ensure that the institution having custody of him transmits the necessary funds. Nonpayment for any reason other than destitution shall be construed as a voluntary relinquishment of the right to file future suits in forma pauperis. Thurman v. Gramley, 97 F.3d 185, 188 (7th Cir. 1996). The obligation to ensure full payment of the filing fees imposed by this order shall not be relieved by release or transfer to another prison. Plaintiff is under a continuing obligation to inform the Clerk of this Court in writing of any change of address within seven days.

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Payment shall be sent to the Clerk, United States District Court, 219 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, IL 60604, attn: Cashier's Desk, 20th Floor, and shall clearly identify plaintiff's name and the case number assigned to this action and the docket number assigned to the appeal, which is No. 08-2747.				
The clerk shall mail a copy of this order the PLRA Attorney for the United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit.				

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